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MACV/CSD  
Working Paper No. 12

31 December 1963

**SUBJECT : Foreign Weapons Turn-in and  
Communications Equipment Requirements**

**REFERENCE: MACV/CSD Working Paper No. 5, dated 18 December 1963**

1. At 1420, 27 December 1963, a meeting was held at Headquarters USASF(P)V, Nha Trang on the subject of Operation SWITCHBACK. The meeting was attended by the following officers:

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| [REDACTED]         | CSD       |
| Lt. Col. Vinay     | USASF(P)V |
| Lt. Col. Keravuori | J-3 MACV  |
| Lt. Col. Hall      | J-3 MACV  |
| Major Warner       | J-3 MACV  |
| Major Healy        | USASF(P)V |
| Major Kim          | USASF(P)V |

2. It was brought before the meeting that both CSD and MACV were concerned about the turn-in of foreign weapons and ammunition that has been directed by message CSD/SF/JOCG No. 48, dated 14 January 1963, subject: Replacement of Foreign Weapons and Ammunition with US Weapons and Ammunition. Major Healy stated that the message had been destroyed and a Certificate of Destruction had been filed on it. Contents of the message was brought to the attention of Lt. Col. Vinay and arrangements were worked out to implement turn-in of weapons in the future. Special Forces Supply Officer, Major Lilard, will call Major Healy at USASG(V) prior to shipment of foreign weapons or ammunition from Nha Trang. Major Healy would then notify CSD supply representative of the incoming shipment and time of aircraft arrival. CSD Logistics personnel would meet the aircraft and accept the shipment.

3. The CSD representative discussed the communication equipment requirements to fill in existing voids of III and IV CTZ's for Border Surveillance mission only. He stated that CSD was prepared to assist Special Forces in this requirement, however, he implied that this support was only for the Border Surveillance mission. Special Forces Headquarters promised to supply CSD and MACV the overall communications support requirements for all CTZ's on or about 30 December 1963.

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4. Special Forces was requested to furnish CSD present strength and projected strength of personnel in Border Surveillance camps. Also requested was up to date information on Border Surveillance camps in all CTZ's and those projected for future use.

5. It was decided that the Mountain Scout Program no longer exists. It has been integrated into the CIDG Program in accordance with existing agreements between MACV and CSD. Special Forces was requested to furnish figures on the number of Mountain Scouts that enlisted in the CIDG Program and the number turned over to Civil authorities.

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